

SHB 1679 - S COMM AMD  
By Committee on Ways & Means

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 41.26.715 and 2003 c 2 s 4 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 (1) An eleven member board of trustees is hereby created.

6 (a) Before January 1, 2007, three of the board members shall be  
7 active law enforcement officers who are participants in the plan.  
8 Beginning with the first vacancy on or after January 1, 2007, two board  
9 members shall be active law enforcement officers who are participants  
10 in the plan and one board member shall be either an active or a retired  
11 law enforcement officer who is a ((member)) participant of the plan.  
12 The law enforcement officer board members shall be appointed by the  
13 governor from a list provided by a recognized statewide council whose  
14 membership consists exclusively of guilds, associations, and unions  
15 representing state and local government police officers, deputies, and  
16 sheriffs and excludes federal law enforcement officers.

17 (b) Before January 1, 2007, three of the board members shall be  
18 active firefighters who are participants in the plan. Beginning with  
19 the first vacancy on or after January 1, 2007, two board members shall  
20 be active firefighters who are participants in the plan and one board  
21 member shall be either an active or a retired firefighter who is a  
22 ((member)) participant of the plan. The firefighter board members  
23 shall be appointed by the governor from a list provided by a recognized  
24 statewide council, affiliated with an international association  
25 representing the interests of firefighters.

26 (c) Three of the board members shall be representatives of  
27 employers and shall be appointed by the governor.

28 (d) One board member shall be a member of the house of  
29 representatives who is appointed by the governor based on the  
30 recommendation of the speaker of the house of representatives.

1 (e) One board member shall be a member of the senate who is  
2 appointed by the governor based on the recommendation of the majority  
3 leader of the senate.

4 (f) After January 1, 2008, at least one board member must be a  
5 retired participant of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters'  
6 retirement system plan 2. This member may be appointed under (a)  
7 through (e) of this subsection.

8 (2) The initial law enforcement officer and firefighter board  
9 members shall serve terms of six, four, and two years, respectively.  
10 Thereafter, law enforcement officer and firefighter board members serve  
11 terms of six years. (~~The remaining board members serve terms of four~~  
12 ~~years.~~) The initial employer representative board members shall serve  
13 terms of four, five, and six years, respectively. Thereafter, employer  
14 representative board members serve terms of four years. The initial  
15 legislative board members shall serve terms of five years and six  
16 months. Thereafter, legislative board members serve terms of two  
17 years, which begin on January 1st of odd-numbered years. Board members  
18 may be reappointed to succeeding terms without limitation. Board  
19 members shall serve until their successors are appointed and seated.

20 (3) In the event of a vacancy on the board, the vacancy shall be  
21 filled in the same manner as prescribed for an initial appointment.

22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 41.26 RCW  
23 to read as follows:

24 The legislative board members appointed under RCW 41.26.715 must  
25 include one member from the two largest political parties. The speaker  
26 of the house of representatives shall request a recommendation from the  
27 minority leader of the house of representatives if a member from the  
28 opposite party must be recommended for appointment. The majority  
29 leader of the senate shall request a recommendation from the minority  
30 leader of the senate if a member from the opposite party must be  
31 recommended for appointment."

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1        On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "board;" strike the remainder  
2 of the title and insert "amending RCW 41.26.715; and adding a new  
3 section to chapter 41.26 RCW."

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